



Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
Expedited Procedure - Art Unit 1636

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **February 1, 2002**, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 10), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37 C.F.R. § 1.116; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

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